

CLASSIFICATION OFFICE DECISION

Title of publication: ALA-Melissa-S04-013.jpg

Other known title(s): Not stated

OFLC ref: 1400086.001

Medium: Computer Image File

Publisher: Not stated

Country of origin: Not stated

Language: Not applicable

Applicant: Secretary for Internal Affairs

Classification:	Objectionable.
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Descriptive note: None

Display conditions: None

Date of entry in Register: 08 May 2014

Date of direction to issue a label: No direction to issue a label has been issued

Date of notice of decision: 07 May 2014

Summary of reasons for decision:

The publication is deemed objectionable because it tends to promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes. The computer image file is a colour photograph of a teenage girl lying on a rug. She is clothed in adult lingerie and positioned in a manner that strongly sexualises her. The publication encourages the viewer to see young persons as sexually desirable and available, and legitimises a sexual interest in them.

The classification interferes with the right to freedom of expression set out in s14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 but this outcome is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable.